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Sir:

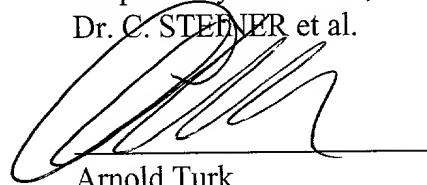
The undersigned points out that the executed application being filed herewith includes copies of 3 partially executed Declarations forwarded by facsimile, and pages 1 - 23 and 4 sheets of drawings which were added by the law firm of the undersigned, which are identical to pages 1 - 23 and 4 sheets of drawings forwarded for execution. Further, the undersigned has been advised that the application was physically present when the inventors executed the Declaration.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is properly executed and should be considered as filed in executed form. However, if the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that the present application is not properly executed, Applicants respectfully request that the present application be treated as an unexecuted application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) and (f).

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Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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